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Mr. William E. Timmons
Assistant to the President
for Congressional Relations
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. Timmons:

Pursuant to our telephone conversation today I enclose a copy of S. 782 as it passed the Senate on 19 May 1970 together with a copy of a proposed letter from the Director to Chairman Henderson, of the House Manpower and Civil Service Subcommittee, and classified attachments thereto. As you will see this letter points out some statutory conflicts implicit in the proposed legislation and requests complete exemption for this Agency.

In addition to the statutory conflicts, the bill would create other problems for us by sharply restricting our investigation of possible security and personality vulnerabilities of our employees and applicants; it would give employees the right to legal or personal counsel whenever faced with possible disciplinary action; and it would permit an employee or applicant alleging violation or threatened violation of the provisions of the bill, or any employee organization acting in his behalf, to bring civil action in Federal courts.

I understand that Chairman Henderson plans to report out the bill shortly without hearings. Therefore time may be of the essence.

We would much appreciate any help or advice you can give us. You can reach me on Code 143, Extension 5121.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

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